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CONCOURSE CHIEFS TO MOUNT LEGAL CHALLENGE TO ST MODWEN SCHEME

Report by **Henry James**

CONCOURSE bosses are to mount a legal challenge against the St Modwen scheme for the town centre which they say threatens the viability of the shopping centre in Skelmersdale.

Chiefs at London & Cambridge Properties (LCP), which own the Concourse, say they are forging ahead with their plans for a £4m cinema and restaurant scheme at the centre and said they have no option but to seek legal redress to safeguard both the town centre and the mall’s future.

LCP sent a letter to the borough council on Monday (June 29) which sets out several points of law that challenges the granting of planning consent to St Modwen for a competing scheme in the town centre.

The letter – a pre–action protocol – identifies the specific legal grounds on which it disputes the planning consent and seeks to establish if the council can address them to avoid litigation.

If the local authority does not do that, LCP will have no option but to apply to the courts for judicial review.

Jo Salmon

Jo Salmon, LCP’s retail portfolio manager, said they were left with no option but to take this action because legal counsel believes the consent for the St Modwen scheme is unlawful, unenforceable and ineffective.

“We are doing this because we have to preserve the future of the Concourse Shopping Centre and Skelmersdale town centre”, said Jo, who is leading the delivery of the £4m project on behalf of joint venture partners London & Cambridge Properties and Threadneedle Investments.

“We are challenging the scheme on a number of legal and technical points and it is our hope that the council can rectify these issues but if that is not possible, then we have no choice but to apply to the courts for judicial review.”

She said the council and its retained retail consultants (PBA) had already acknowledged the potential harm that would be caused to the Concourse centre if the St Modwen proposals went ahead. This is because St Modwen is promoting a scheme that includes Aldi, Home Bargains and Poundland, which occupy 20% of Concourse’s existing retail space.

“The council’s consultants have pointed out that this would represent a severe blow to the centre particularly given the recent closures, which have resulted in further vacant units”, added Jo.

Under LCP’s proposals, a 20,000 sq.ft. multi–screen Light cinema, along with two food outlets, would be located on the second floor of the shopping centre, while four existing units would be converted on the first floor to accommodate restaurants.

The shopping centre, which houses more than 70 shops, would also undergo “significant improvements.”

“In addition to bringing a quality cinema and restaurants to Skelmersdale, our scheme will ensure all our existing businesses will be strengthened, we will be able to entice new retailers to the town, it will breathe new life into the Concourse.

“If the competing scheme was to go ahead, there will no new retailers coming to the town, just relocation of our existing stores, which will lead to fewer shoppers in the centre, further weakening of the town’s core, more vacant units and less choice for customers.

“This would be detrimental to the town, the businesses, the employees and our shoppers. This cannot be allowed to happen.”

A spokesman for West Lancs Council said: “The council can confirm that it has today (June 30) received a pre–action protocol letter from solicitors acting for London & Cambridge Properties (LCP) in respect of the grant of a planning permission reference 2014/1189/FUL, ‘the St Modwen scheme.’

“Prior to the issue of this permission the council took appropriate advice and will be seeking further advice in the light of this letter. The council will respond to LCP’s solicitors in due course.

“In view of the potential for litigation it would be inappropriate for the council to comment further at this stage.”

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Dance Festival returns to Coronation Park

THE annual Ormskirk Dance Festival will be held on Saturday (July 4) at Coronation Park.

The Divine Days Community Art project, which aims to make the arts accessible to all including the most vulnerable in the community, has teamed up with West Lancs Council to host the event from noon to 4pm.

With bases in Burscough and Skelmersdale, the project was founded by Katie Whitehead, who runs therapeutic and educational programmes for individuals with additional needs, including creative dance and drama workshops.

Members of the project's dance group, the Divine Dancers, who rehearse at the Greenhill Community Hub in Old Skelmersdale, have joined forces with the council to stage the free event.

Dancer Mandy Leonard with members of Divine Days,who will host the Ormskirk Dance Festival

As well as groups showcasing a variety of styles, from traditional morris dancing to street dance, the festival will feature a funfair, bouncy castle, face–painting, craft and community stalls, and entertainment including a brass band.

Katie Whitehead said: "We are proud to be heading up this year's Ormskirk Dance Festival with the council and West Lancashire Rangers Service."

Have you seen this man?

POLICE are seeking to trace a man known to have connections to West Lancashire who could hold information vital to an investigation into child sexual exploitation.

South Yorkshire Police have launched an appeal for information leading to the whereabouts of the man (pictured), known only as Arum.

He is believed to have a snake or dragon tattoo on his left upper arm and has been known to travel to Ormskirk.

Anyone with information is asked to contact South Yorkshire Police on 101. Alternatively they can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

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Up Holland Post Office to close on July 9

UP Holland Post Office is to close at 1pm next Thursday (July 9) following the resignation of the postmaster.

A spokesman for the Post Office said the move was "temporary" and they were working hard to restore the service.

A Post Office spokesperson said: "We would like to apologise to customers that following the resignation of the postmaster and the withdrawal of the premises for Post Office use, Up Holland Post Office will be closing temporarily at 1pm on July 9.

"We can reassure customers that we are working hard to restore the service to the community as soon as possible and are committed to maintaining services in the area.

"Any retailer or small business owner interested in running the Post Office and incorporating it into their business should ring 0845 2668790 and talk to an adviser or email NTquestions@postoffice.co.uk.

"Customers with questions can call the customer helpline 03457 223344.

"The two nearest alternative branches are Orrell Post Office, 1 Church street, Orrell, Wigan, WN5 8TG and Digmoor Post Office, 164 Birkrig, Skelmersdale, WN8 9HS."

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper commented: "I would strongly encourage local retailers to seriously consider providing local post office counter services. We know that many residents and local businesses still rely on having a local post office. There are other villages in West Lancashire where the post office is located in a local store.

"It would be good for Up Holland to have these post office services available once again at the earliest opportunity.

"I am keeping in regular contact with the Post Office to check on progress in restoring post office services in Up Holland."

Primary school staff scoop top award

Report by **Henry James**

Hillside staff with their awards

MEMBERS of the Early Years department at a Skelmersdale primary school are celebrating after winning the education world's equivalent of an Oscar!

The Young Explorers setting at Hillside Community Primary in Egerton won the Early Years Setting Of The Year accolade in the prestigious TES awards.

Members of the school's senior leadership team – headteacher Mrs Aspinwall–Livesey, deputy head Mrs Williams, assistant head Mrs Smith, business manager Mrs Nicholson and learning mentor Miss Cain – along with nursery and reception teachers, Miss Holden and Miss Wood, travelled to London to receive the award at a ceremony at the Grosvenor House Hotel.

Having been overwhelmed to be shortlisted for the award initially (just one of eight schools in the whole country) they were absolutely delighted to have won.

Hillside's Young Explorers is a new, purpose built department catering for children from the ages of two to four.

Practitioners at the venue aim to provide a unique environment for learning and development and to ensure that children's first experience of school is innovative, holistic and effective.

At the facility there is a strong focus on building independence and engagement with learning.

In their appraisal of the department the TES judges said: "Young Explorers really impressed with the breadth and depth of all it is doing.

"It has developed high–quality, outdoor provision and ensures that all children make progress during their time in the setting."

Headteacher, Angela Aspinwall–Livesey, commented: "We might be a small school in the heart of Skelmersdale but that has not stopped us creating the best environment for nursery and reception children in the entire country.

"That is something to be very proud of as a school, as pupils, as parents and as a community."

Archbishop joins in celebrations to mark 150th anniversary of St Richard's opening

Archbishop McMahon church officials and civic guests who gathered to celebrate the 150th anniversary

CHURCH officials and civic dignitaries joined parishioners to celebrate the 150th anniversary of a Skelmersdale church.

St Richard's Roman Catholic Church in Liverpool Road was designed by the famous Pugin family of architects and opened by Bishop Goss in 1815.

To mark the milestone around 250 people – including West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper and Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Nikki Hennessey, ministers from other churches and former parish priests – packed into the church to witness the Mass celebrated by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon.

Two new stained glass windows were also unveiled during the celebration Mass.

One of these had been paid for by a legacy, as well as donations and fundraising by local parishioners, while the other was funded by and dedicated to Our Lady Queen of Peace Engineering College.

A memorial time capsule was sealed at the end of the Mass, containing artefacts and documents donated by parishioners and the Catholic schools in the town.

Sealing the capsule, Archbishop Malcolm asked that it remain closed until 2065, the 200th anniversary of the church.

Parish priest, Father Mike Thompson, said: "This is a fantastic day for the parish. The changes over the last 150 years have been amazing.

"Following the opening of the church, St Richard's school soon opened next door. We've uncovered some interesting documents, including a punishment book, from those early days as well as some early school photographs which were on display during the celebrations.

"Now, 150 years later we have three churches in the town, five primary schools and one secondary school and a very vibrant church community – something well worth celebrating."

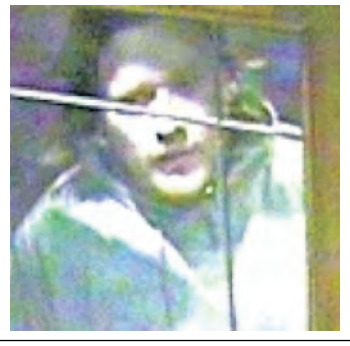
Do you know this man?

POLICE have issued images of a man they would like to trace following an incident in which a stolen car crashed into a house.

The Ford Fiesta was stolen in Skelmersdale at about 11.30pm on Wednesday, June 3.

Following a short pursuit by officers the vehicle crashed into a property on Milton Lane, Maghull and the driver fled from the scene.

ANYONE with information can contact DS Monk on 101.



Gold chains stolen from market stall

THE owner of a Concourse market stall has blasted thieves who stole three valuable gold chains.

Regina Luxembourg, 82, who has owned Adams Corner for 32 years, said two women took the chains on Saturday (June 27) at around 1pm.

She said: "This is the second time that they have been to the shop and their sleight of hand must be very quick. These people are professionals, this was not a casual robbery."

ANYONE with information about the incident is asked to contact Lancashire Police on 101.

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Mayor plays host to young carers

The mayor and deputy mayor with the young carers in the council chamber.
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THE Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Nikki Hennessy, has hosted a reception for young carers from across the region.

Cllr. Hennessy invited seven young carers aged between seven and 12, along with four members of staff from Barnardo's Lancashire Young Carers service to the event at the council offices in Derby Street, Ormskirk.

The service, which supports young carers and their families, is one of the mayor's chosen charities for her civic year.

The purpose of the get–together was to give her the chance get to know the youngsters, as well as getting them involved in the fundraising.

The youngsters came up with lots of fundraising ideas and said they were excited to be part of the mayor's year.

Cllr. Hennessy, who was accompanied on the night by her daughter, Sophia and deputy mayor, Councillor Liz Savage, said: "Our young carers give up their precious childhood to care for a family member when they should be the ones who are being cared for. Yet they do it selflessly and with great kindness and love.

"The young people who came to the reception were charming, kind, respectful and full of humour. They had lots of ideas and suggestionsm, as well as questions about being mayor. The evening has set my year off to a great start."

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County councillors' fury over costs award

Campaigners seek donations to help fund bid to overturn decision to approve Whitemoss extension

By **Henry James**

SKELMERSDALE county councillors have reacted angrily to a costs award made against Lancashire County Council over an issue to do with Whitemoss.

The costs – a figure has yet to be agreed – has been awarded to the Whitemoss owners and against the county council after they failed to sign a section 106 agreement.

In a joint statement Councillor Julie Gibson (Skelmersdale West) and Councillor John Fillis (Skelmersdale East), said: "Whitemoss proposed a Section 106 agreement with the county council to provide for the revocation of the existing planning permissions for the site. When the county council declined to enter into the agreement, the applicant wrote to the Planning Inspectorate indicating that a costs application would be made against the council in respect of unreasonable behaviour.

"We are further dismayed to now find that the Secretary of State has since considered the applicant's costs application and has tried to argue that the county council acted unreasonably in not signing the section 106 agreement and has granted a partial award of costs against the county council – the burden of which will fall on the taxpayers of Lancashire.

"The county council's primary concerns in relation to the proposed development were set out in its local impact report and related to the scale of development, the need for the proposed site, the potential health impacts arising from dust emissions and the potential negative perception of Skelmersdale which would harm economic regeneration.

"All of our concerns were dismissed in the ruling given by the Secretary of State.

"We would urge the Skelmersdale community to support the campaign for a judicial review of the decision."

Meanwhile campaigners have launched a crowdfunding appeal to help them bring a legal case against

County Councillor John Fillis

the government's decision to give permission to the extension of Whitemoss hazardous waste landfill site in Skelmersdale.

A local resident is bringing the case – called a judicial review – with the support of other residents and has applied for legal aid to fund the case. However, in order to qualify, a 'community contribution' must be raised.

Residents have enlisted the help of Crowdjustice, a new crowdfunding site set up by a former United Nations lawyer to help individuals and groups gain access to justice.

The Whitemoss case fundraising page went live on Wednesday, June 24.

Campaign group Arrow–No Whitemoss Landfill is appealing to local residents and the wider public to pledge donations to the case. The group's press officer Claire Robinson said: "The response so far has been good – we've had donations from as far afield as Australia.

"But we need more donations to reach our initial target. £50 or £100 is a small investment to prevent a lifetime toxic landfill being put near our houses and to protect our families' health. Smaller donations of £20 or £10 will still help us meet the target and will be much appreciated."

The local resident bringing the case is being represented by specialist environmental lawyers, Richard Buxton Environmental and Public Law.

At public hearings last year, local people and the borough and county councils presented evidence against the tip extension plan. More than 3,000 people objected to the plan, including community groups, churches, doctors, five parish councils, MP Rosie Cooper and councillors.

But in May this year the Secretary of State overrode local objections and gave the plans the go–ahead.

Campaigners believe their case could potentially affect everyone in Britain.

Claire Robinson said: "The tip extension was given the go–ahead as a result of the developer, Whitemoss Landfill Ltd, using the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIP) process to bypass local objections and local planning systems and to get the outcome they wanted.

"If this decision is allowed to stand, any community in Britain could end up with a toxic tip or a nuclear power plant on their doorstep in spite of local opposition and lack of local and regional need.

"Recently ministers reassured communities that local planning decisions on wind farms would not be overturned by the Planning Inspectorate, so why does the Secretary of State think it's OK to impose a hazardous waste tip on Skelmersdale?

"Today it's us on the receiving end of a toxic dump – tomorrow it could be anyone anywhere in Britain.

"That's why we're asking everyone who cares about their town or village – not just people living close to Whitemoss – to help us win this battle. Please stand up for democracy and justice, and give whatever you can afford to support the legal case."

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Balloon release in memory of Millie–Rose

A YEAR after the death of Skelmersdale toddler Millie–Rose Heaton there is to be a balloon release in her memory at the Greenhill, Old Skelmersdale at 7.15pm tomorrow Thursday (July 2).

The courageous struggle of three–year–old Millie, who had neuroblastoma, an aggressive type of cancer, had captured the hearts of people throughout West Lancashire and beyond.

A statement on The Millie–Rose Appeal Facebook page said: 'On July 2 at 7.15pm it will have been a whole year without our gorgeous girl by our sides.

'People are asking if we are releasing balloons at the Greenhill, Old Skelmersdale like last year.

Last year hundreds came together the day after Millie passed away to show they cared by releasing balloons exactly 24 hours after she passed. It even made the news, the sight was beautiful and meant a lot to our family.

Millie–Rose Heaton

So people are very welcome to meet again on Thursday, July 2 at 7.15pm to let a balloon off in memory of Skem's bravest little girl who fought a tough battle right up until the end xx.'

Thousands of people have signed an online petition calling on West Lancs Council to dedicate the Greenhill site to Millie.

Stewart is pictured (left) with MP Stephen Twigg and fellow MNDA officials

Downing Street date

STEWART Cranage from Up Holland joined felllow officials of the Motor Neurone Disease Association (MNDA) to present a charter to No. 10 Downing Street highlighting shortfalls in care and support and detailing basic rights that people living with the condition or as carers should have.

As vice–chairman of the Merseyside branch of the MNDA, Stewart was delighted that West Derby MP Stephen Twigg, patron of the branch, and other local MPs were among those attending.

He said: "It was amazing to be part of the day when our MND Charter was handed in at 10 Downing Street. It will make sure that the new gvernment knows the problems facing people living with MND and those that care for them."

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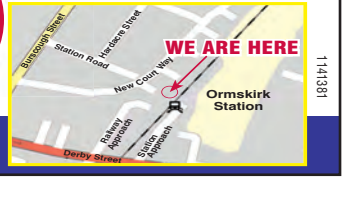

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School strike gold in Chairman's Challenge

Report by **Henry James**

PUPILS and teachers at Ormskirk School are celebrating after being awarded gold in the Family Involvement category at the Lancashire County Council Chairman's Challenge.

The annual competition encourages schools, children's centres, pupils and families to come up with innovative ideas to improve their school or local area.

Hillside Community Primary School in Skelmersdale was also highly commended in the same section.

The themes for the Chairman's Challenge are based on the 'Five ways to wellbeing' –connecting with others, being active, taking notice of things around you, continuing to learn and giving to others.

The 17 school finalists went to County Hall to make a presentation in front of the judges and try to take the title of Chairman's Challenge Champions 2015.

Ormskirk school received £1,000 towards their activities.

County Councillor

Ormskirk School's winning team

Margaret Brindle, chairman of the county council, said: "It was a pleasure to welcome each of these schools to County Hall. The wide range of activities carried out for the Chairman's Challenge made it difficult for the judges to choose this year's winners.

"All of the activities have made a difference to their schools and their local communities and we're proud of each and every school that took part.

"The Chairman's Challenge encourages children and young people to develop creative and innovative ways to encourage their friends and families to make positive lifestyle choices.

"Even though this year's challenge has finished, we hope that the activities they've been doing will still carry on, so that they continue to benefit themselves, their school and the area where they live."

In the school categories, activities are planned and carried out by the pupils themselves. Schools compete in one of three categories: primary, secondary and special/short stay.

The Family Involvement category encourages parents, carers and families to get involved. This can be led by the school council, parent and teacher groups, or other groups. This category is also open to children's centres.

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Council MDs and PepsiCo help to promote 'Women in Engineering Day'

Kim Webber and Gill Rowe are shown with the students

Report by **Henry James**

WEST Lancs Council's managing directors visited PepsiCo's factory at Pennine Place, Skelmersdale as part of national Women in Engineering Day.

Kim Webber and Gill Rowe joined six students from Wigan University Technical College, PepsiCo's finance director Lydia Still and Zeeshan Qamar, a current student placement trainee at the site, for a morning of activities.

The session included a site tour, a number of interactive sessions and an engineering challenge that the students had to solve.

The winner of the challenge received a week–long work experience placement at the site, as well as access to a PepsiCo mentor from the site for a year.

Throughout the month, PepsiCo engineers and technicians will be encouraging around 300 female students to consider science–based careers.

President of the Women's Engineering Society, Dawn Bonfield, commented: "As a company PepsiCo recognise the need for a diverse workforce and have some excellent role models who lead the way in promoting the role of women in engineering to the next generation. It is only by working together with industry to showcase these exciting roles that we begin to change perceptions and inspire girls to think differently about these exciting career opportunities."

PepsiCo site lead and engineer, Tracey Foster, said: "Hosting events like these brings to life what is involved in being an engineer, breaking down any misperceptions there might be out there. As an industry we want to attract the best talent, both female and male, to help us drive the food and drink industry into the future."

The event was also supported by West Lancs MP, Rosie Cooper, who said: "Being the first female MP for West Lancashire I can understand how daunting it can be trying to break through in male–dominated professions.

"Having a science background myself I would wholeheartedly encourage women to pursue a career in engineering. Pepsico's efforts to encourage more women into these fields within the food and drink industry should be commended."

School's chess aces keep rivals in check

The winning team from St Thomas the Martyr Primary

A TEAM from St Thomas the Martyr Primary School in Up Holland have won the Skelmersdale School Chess Congress – despite having to draft in new recruits when some of their regular members were unable to play.

The victory, clinched against rivals from seven other schools across the Skelmersdale area over a gruelling three–hour period, maintained the Highgate Road establishment's proud record in the competition as this was their 15th Congress triumph in the last 20 years.

Headteacher, Julie Butcher, said: "I am extremely proud of the chess team this year, particularly some of the younger children who had never played in a competitive match before."

Music project seeks votes in lottery awards

A PROJECT that has staged live music gigs in Skelmersdale library is appealing for votes as it strives for recognition in a nationwide TV awards scheme.

Get It Loud In Libraries beat off stiff competition from 620 organisations to reach the public voting stage in this year's National Lottery Awards, the annual search for the UK's favourite lottery–funded projects.

The scheme is competing against six other organisations to be crowned the winner of the arts category.

Winners will get a £2,000 cash prize, an iconic National Lottery Awards trophy and attend a star–studded awards ceremony broadcast on BBC 1 in September.

Get It Loud In Libraries promotes and showcases new music acts from around the world and recently held live music gigs at Skelmersdale Library.

Stewart Parsons, for Get It Loud In Libraries, commented: "We're delighted to have reached the finals of The National Lottery Awards. Lottery money has really helped us to showcase the best new music talent in our North West libraries, bring new audiences into libraries, and offer young people opportunities to learn new skills and build career pathways.

"We're hoping people support us, as it would be a fantastic reward for everyone involved in the project to receive national recognition."

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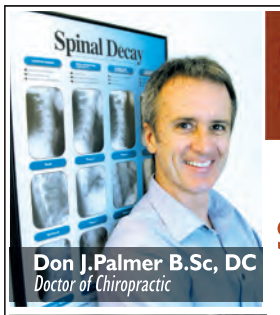

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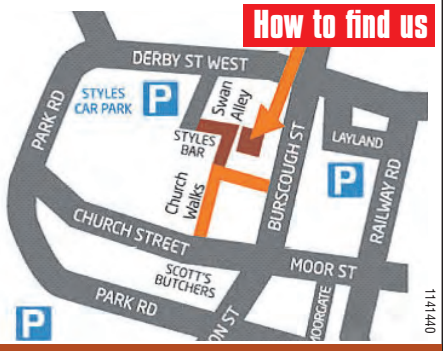

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Care home welcomes visitors as part of national initiative

Birch Green resident Kathleen Hutton gets up close and personal with Scala the barn owl during the open day

BIRCH Green Care Home in Skelmersdale held an open day to raise awareness of the care sector.

Staff and residents invited family, friends and members of the public to mark Care Home Open Day, a national initiative which aims to strengthen community relationships and improve perceptions of the care home industry.

A range of activities took place, including a visit from the Haigh Birds of Prey, a performance by the Skelmersdale Community Singers and a barbecue and raffle.

Birch Green is operated by Springhill Care Group, which was recently named as a finalist in three categories in the prestigious Be Inspired Business Awards (BIBAs).

Shop gets 'retro revamp'

Report by **Henry James**

CUSTOMERS entering Mary Dunn's newsagents in Old Skelmersdale could be forgiven for thinking they've took a step back in time.

For the shop in School Lane has undergone a 'retro revamp' after Christine Bond decided that was just the tonic her dad, Ernie Dunn – who owns the shop – needed following a bout of illness.

The idea to give the shop a 1950s makeover came to Christine in a dream. Now it resembles Arkwright's shop in the old TV sitcom 'Open All Hours'.

And the changes have been given the thumbs–up by 87–year–old Ernie, a fan of the Ronnie Barker classic, who has been in and out of hospital a number of times since Boxing Day with problems including a stomach ailment and a broken hip.

Christine said: "The changes are for dad as he has gone through a lot this last year. I decided to make them following a dream I had.

OWNER Ernie Dunn with daughter Christine (right) and shop assistant Anne Morris at the 'retro' corner shop. Code1081842

"We already had the 1950s till, which is just like the one Arkwright used in 'Open All Hours', and we filled one of the windows with pictures of Old Skelmersdale which have proved a hit with locals. It's good to hear them all reminiscing.

"We must have about 20 pictures in the window of Old Skem at the moment, including mines, pubs, Sandy Lane and Stormy Corner.

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"We also have a retro clock, posters from the 1950s, plaques which have adverts from the 1950s on them, a bell if you want attention and bunting across the store.

"I'm glad I was able to make the changes I had in my dream. Dad is a fan of 'Open All Hours' and he likes the changes."

And Christine, who has been working at the shop for about nine years, hasn't finished yet.

She said: "We want some pictures of the greengrocers shop that dad used to own in Aughton Street, Ormskirk before he came to Skelmersdale. Anyone who can help can call me on 079000 13843."

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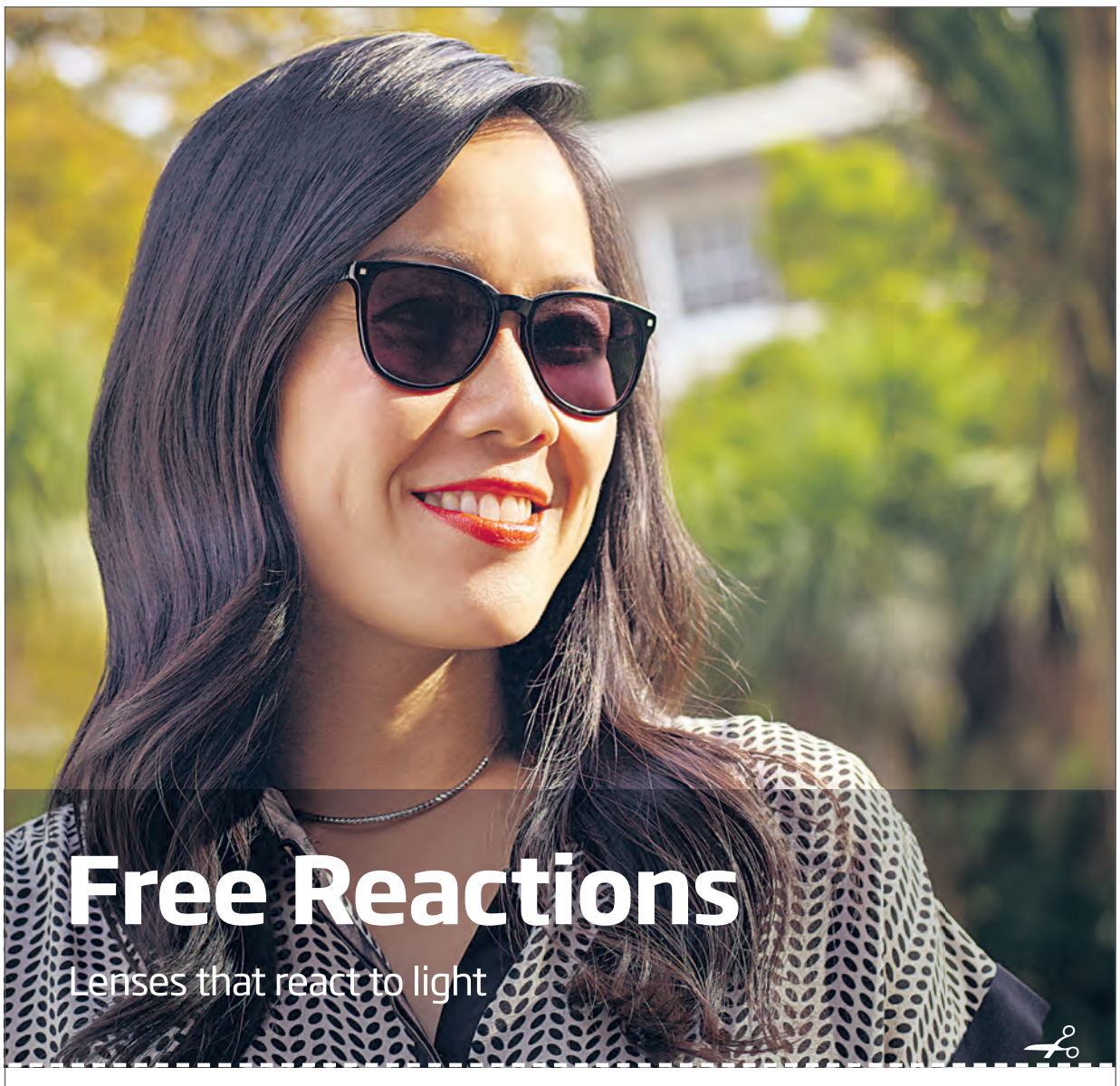

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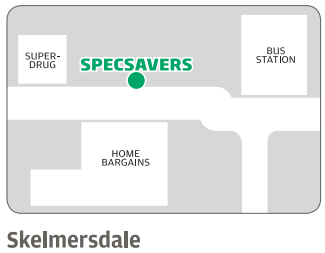

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MP joins Mencap for Big Lunch event

WEST Lancashire members of learning disability charity Mencap invited borough MP Rosie Cooper to join them for a 'Hear My Voice' Big Lunch event at the Evermoor Hub in Digmoor, Skelmersdale.

Mencap's Hear My Voice campaign aims to encourage people with learning difficulties to engage with politics and urge politicians to take account of issues affecting those with learning disabilities.

Following the event, Ms Cooper said: "I would like to say thank–you to Mencap for inviting me along to their event and for the opportunity to catch–up again with their members and families in this area. It was clear that everyone at the lunch had a great time and very much enjoyed the day which built on the success of last year's event.

"I look forward to continuing to work with Mencap and its members and am committed to continuing to listen to the issues and concerns of people with learning disabilities here in West Lancashire."

The Mencap members with MP Rosie Cooper

Owners' bid to extend care home

Report by **Henry James**

A PLANNING application has been submitted to West Lancs Council seeking permission to extend the Alma Green Residential Home in Up Holland.

The owners of the Hall Green facility, Cranford Care Homes, want to extend the care home from 27 rooms to 36 with en–suites, additional communal area and extra car parking.

The local authority constructed the building as an elderly persons care home in the 1970s and it has continued to be run as such by the current owners who have had the site for some years.

The proposed extension is for a mixture of new private rooms and an increased communal area. It also thought that the car parking spaces will have to increase.

Council officers believe that the existing building design will support the addition of another wing.

They noted: "The building remains in the same character without overdeveloping the site. Generally the proposed extension is a mixture of new private rooms and increased communal area."

Officers also commented: "The proposals will have a minimum impact on the surrounding area. The area of land required for the proposed is currently lawn and the distances between the proposed and the existing residential properties are significant and should not cause any problems with overlooking.

"The area of garden left is still significant after the extension is added. The site is large enough to facilitate the extra parking that is required (and more if necessary) without causing any detrimental issues with access to the highway."

Residents have until next Thursday (July 9) to have their say on the proposals and the council are expected to make a decision on the application by Tuesday, August 11.

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Martial art masters attend Skem seminar

Nigel Hudson (2nd left) chairman of the UK Taekwondo Development Council welcomes Master Kim Yong Ho to the seminar at Ashurst. Also pictured are Buddhist monk Master Kim Sang Tae, Jaedu Kim and Master Kwang Gil Han. Code1081675

THE Skelmersdale Taekwondo Academy, based at the national training centre in Ashurst, hosted a delegation of some of the world's highest–ranked and world renowned taekwondo/mudo instructors.

Among the celebrated visitors at the two–day seminar were taekwondo Elders Master Kim Yong Ho 9th dan, president of the world Mudo headquaRters in Seoul and former technical director to the World Taekwondo Federation, Master Kwang In Han 8th dan, a former Korean national champion, and the venerable Kim Sag Tae, a Buddhist monk who teaches the spiritual and philosophy of the martial art and presides over the largest temples in Korea and France,

The event also attracted 38 senior black belts from around the UK, including the Skelmersdale academy's own black belts, who were given special dispensation to attend as host club.

The club's senior instructor, Master Hudson 7th dan, said: "It was a fantastic achievement to bring this contingent to Skelmersdale. The seeds for the visit were planted while I was in Korea as a guest of honour at the opening of a new Buddhist temple on Jeju Island.

"The Skelmersdale students commented on what a fantastic seminar this was and instructor Nick Owen said it was probably the best seminar he'd attended in 30 years training."

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Permits: Where will this nonsense stop?

We recently celebrated 800 years of Magna Carta out of which came common law over the following centuries and remains in our system of law to this day, despite what others may claim.

When unelected public servants, who are there to do our bidding and not the other way round, attempt to impose taxes at an outrageous level, and obtain our money without our consent, they are, in my opinion, acting unlawfully.

I am referring to the Champion story on the tipping of domestic rubble – a facility which has existed in West Lancashire for at least 30 years and has always been paid for through local and central government taxation. In other words we have well paid for the facility to tip a 25KG bag of old cement and bricks.

To attempt to tax on top of that is unjustifiable.

As far as permits go, where will this nonsense stop, we will soon require a permit to leave the house! The public servants we employ need to be reminded of who employs them and why.

I for one will not be paying any tax for a service I already pay for and I most certainly will not be asking permission from an unelected unaccountable bully in our local council offices for a permit to carry out a simple basic activity which most of us need from time to time.

A Garner, Skemersdale.

Vulnerable tenants appreciate someone looking in on them

IN response to Ken Walters' letter (Champion, June 17) headed 'Amazed at this stupid system.' Surely this tenant had it explained to him how sheltered accommodation works before moving in.

The property has a pull–cord system that connects to a call centre whose staff are then able to send wardens or the best emergency service required to deal with the situation.

The wardens' duties on sheltered accommodation are to visit the occupier on a daily/weekly basis to check on their wellbeing and safety and definitely not to tick boxes, as claimed by Mr Walters.

I'm sure it's not a job which is cushy as I'm sure anyone who has pulled a cord at 3 o'clock in the morning to get assistance will testify. There are many vulnerable residents who appreciate having someone to look in on them on a regular basis and many more who would like to be in sheltered accommodation but are waiting for housing to become available.

This is an excellent service for a community to have, it also offers peace of mind to the families of those residents who may be classed as vulnerable and many people would like a nice place in Ormskirk with a warden and pull–cord system in place that Mr Walters clearly does not need or want.

Mrs Beckett,
Ormskirk

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Reflection of our pride in the Forces

A member of the Duke of Lancaster's Regimental Band takes a breather after last Sunday's Armed Forces Day parade through Southport town centre.

Picture by Martyn Snape.

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Quick call all that is needed to clear up horse mess

IN response to Walter Lonsdale's interesting letter about the mess left by police horses.

In Liverpool, the police rider makes a quick call to an environmental number and they clear up the dung.

However, the important difference between horse dung and dog dirt is that the horse dung is not toxic and dangerous to health – dog dirt is.

Peter Malone,
by email

Garden of delights!

I ATTENDED the National Gardens Scheme's Open Day event on Ludlow Drive in Ormskirk on Sunday, June 21 and would like to say well done to this couple.

It was a lovely day out and all to raise funds for charity.

I went along, as did many others, to see this garden with English roses alongside many other plants, a fantastic fish pond, greenhouse and a bee house where they actually keep bees!

They have many different plants, including cacti and red hot pokers, there was tea and cakes served (the cakes were lovely) and there were also plants on sale.

Proceeds from the event go to The National Gardens Scheme's beneficiary charities.

Well done!

Jane Thompson,
Our West Lancashire

Two cinemas wrong

Regarding the arrival of two cinemas in Skelmersdale, should that ever happen.

It's like waiting an age for a bus to arrive then umpteen come at once!

People in Skem need their heads banging together because it's obvious a town like ours cannot sustain two picture houses.

Think again the powers that be.

By email (name and address supplied)

Don't keep a dog if you are out all day

Why do people keep dogs and annoy everyone else with them?

Barking all the time is the worst.

And why do they keep a dog when they are out all day?

I don't see the sense in it.

I am sure it must the latest fashion to have one.

I would say it is cruel.

People are very selfish and only think about themselves.

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Name and address witheld,
By email

Allow option of paper bills

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When you're caring for someone, the last thing you need is additional complications – or worse, the thought of having services cut off if you don't pay the bill that you now can't readily access.

And nobody wants to be quizzing a frail or sick dependent about their passwords and service providers.

Surely giving people that choice makes sense.

Judith Donovan
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Care home's tearoom treat

MAYOR of West Lancs, Councillor Nikki Hennessy and local Dementia champion, Joe Sherville were among the guests when the Hillcroft care home hosted a café event for residents suffering from dementia and their families and friends.

The 11–bed 'Horizon' dementia wing at the home in Long Lane, Aughton was transformed into a traditional tearoom for the day, complete with teapots, traditional china cups and saucers, peppermint, ginger and camomile loose leaf teas and homemade cakes and scones.

Hillcroft events organiser, Lesley Malone, said: "Our residents tell me you can't get a better taste than using loose tea leaves and Theresa Fleming from local tea company Marshside Teas came in to provide us with a large selection.

"It was a lovely day. It just felt like we could have been sitting in an actual tearoom or café with the atmosphere of days gone by enjoying a nice cup of 'proper' tea."

Residents and guests at the Hillcroft 'tearoom day'

County's 'no' to fracking bid welcomed

AN anti–fracking campaigner from Halsall has welcomed Lancashire County Council's decision to refuse two planning applications to frack in the county.

Tony Young from Halsall Against Fracking, which was set up earlier this year to fight applications to frack in the region, welcomed the decision to refuse the applications by energy company Cuadrilla.

In landmark decisions, the county rejected the company's plans to frack at Roseacre Wood, near Kirkham and at Preston New Road in Little Plumpton.

Members of Halsall Against Fracking joined members of Frack Free Lancashire and other campaign groups at the Don't Frack Lancs rally against the fracking applications at Lancashire County Hall, Preston on Saturday (June 27).

Tony Young said: "More than 90,000 people from all over Lancashire sent in objections to the county council against these fracking applications.

"The consequences to us in 10 to 20 years' time are unimaginable to most people growing up in this country. People in the USA and Australia who are living in the hellish shadow of commercial fracking operations are trying their best to warn us – but people just don't grasp it easily and the government refuses to engage with these fears.

"Even the economics of fracked gas make no sense – let alone the health and property value implications.

"We will continue to campaign against all fracking applications that are submitted for Lancashire."

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper also welcomed the decision.

She said: "Being opposed to fracking and having voted for a moratorium I wholeheartedly support this decision.

"No doubt this is not the end of the fight. It is important that residents' voices continue to be heard over the interests of big business."

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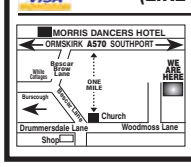

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Borough pays tribute to our Armed Forces

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

VETERANS and council officials marked the service and sacrifices made by the armed forces at a special event to commemorate Armed Forces Day.

The ceremony at the war memorial in Coronation Park, Ormskirk was attended by service veterans along with Mrs Gail Stanley, Deputy Lieutenant of Lancashire, Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Nikki Hennessy, council leader Councillor Ian Moran, the borough's armed forces champion, Councillor Terry Devine and other councillors and officials.

Also in attendance were representatives of Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service, members of 1026 (Ormskirk) Squadron, Royal Air Force Air Cadets and 1st Ormskirk scouts and cubs.

Skelmersdale Prize Band performed prior to Mrs Stanley formally presenting the Ministry of Defence flag to Councillor Hennessy who then gave the flag to Tony Hamer, of Skelmersdale Ex–Services Association.

The Reverend Stuart Haynes said a short prayer and Mr Hamer said: "Today we have great pride in paying tribute to the men and women who defend Britain. Today we also remember the sacrifices made by the veterans of conflict. I hope that you will all join me today in paying homage to our armed forces past and present who serve our country each day with pride and dignity."

The flag is raised at Ormskirk war memorial **Code1081784**

Councillor Hennessy then passed the flag to air cadet Harry Startup, from Ormskirk 1026 Squadron, who had the honour of raising the flag.

Cllr. Hennessy said: "We were honoured to receive this flag as a tribute to all our armed services, who have served in the past and are serving today. It is with pride that the borough of West Lancashire shows its support by dedicating this moment to them. We trust that this ceremony will be remembered with warmth and affection by all men and women who are serving or have served the colours.

"Our armed forces make many sacrifices to serve and protect their country and I was honoured to play a role as Mayor of West Lancashire in this ceremony. Personally, my family are proud servicemen and women. My husband and I both served for over 30 years each with the Territorial Army.

"One of our daughters is in the RAF, the other has followed in my footsteps serving with the TA and our son is going to Lymeston in July to do his selection for the Royal Marines. We know what a sacrifice families make to serve this country."

Church nostalgia day

MAYOR of West Lancashire, Councillor Nikki Hennessey will open a Day of Nostalgia at Emmanuel Church, Derby Street, Ormskirk on Saturday, July 11.

The event will run from 10am to 4pm and among the items on display will be 15 vintage wedding dresses, wartime memorabilia and vintage toys.

There will also be a range of stalls and refreshments will be on sale including coffee and cakes, light lunches and afternoon teas.

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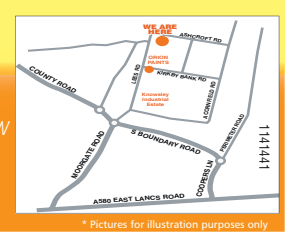

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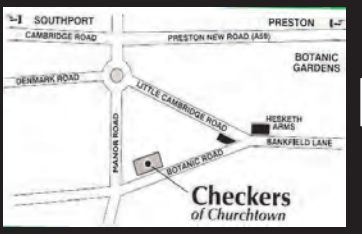

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Charity raises fears of 'worried generation'

Report by **Henry James**

MORE than 1,000 16 and 17–year–olds in West Lancashire are so anxious that they have suffered sleepless nights in the last year – according to research by a charity.

A report by The Children's Society suggests we are in danger of creating a 'worried generation' with 29% of 16 and 17–year–olds in the North West also saying they frequently feel anxious and 73% saying they have felt judged simply for being a teenager.

The figures, based on an Opinium poll of more than 1,000 16 and 17–year–olds across the UK, have been released to coincide with the launch of society's new report, Seriously Awkward.

The survey found that, nationally, 25% of 16 and 17–year–olds say they often feel sad, and one in four say they do not feel optimistic about the future.

The concern is mirrored among parents, with 70% saying that life is tougher for their teenagers than it was for them.

The society's Seriously Awkward campaign highlights the challenges that 16 and 17–year–olds face.

Rob Jackson

They are more likely to go missing or be a victim of violent crime than any other age group. They are also at a high risk of sexual exploitation and domestic violence.

Officials at the charity believe the youngsters are being systematically let down by the law and do not get the same basic safeguards as younger children.

And the society is lobbying for a change in the law to protect children aged 16 and 17 from abuse and neglect, and ensure that support services, such as Child and Adolescent Mental Health services, always treat them as children and offer them support when they need it.

The charity says an estimated half–a–million 16 and 17–year–olds across the UK face particular risk of harm because they are already dealing with multiple issues such as poverty, poor health or a lack of supportive relationships.

A spokesman for The Children's Society said: "At the time when these teenagers need the most help, support for things such as mental health or housing is woefully inadequate and they often fall through the gaps between children's and adult services.

"The lack of provision for teenagers with mental health problems means many are placed on adult mental health wards or, in some cases, have even been detained in police cells."

They say almost half of 16 and 17–year–olds asking their council for help with homelessness are turned away without being assessed for support.

Rob Jackson, area director for The Children's Society in the North West, said: "This research reveals that a generation of teenagers are being let down by society.

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• RIGHT; Mark Jagger from the West Lancs Pre–war Austin 7 Club with his 1934 Austin 7 Box Saloon, was one of the many vintage and veteran vehicles which featured in the Festival of Transport

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Judges will include Neville Hay, a well–known motorsport broadcaster, commentator and historian.

Ormskirk MotorFest is organised by Aintree Circuit Club and supported by West Lancashire Borough Council.

The Concours de Elegance is being sponsored by Halsall–based Carequick Ltd. Air Conditioning.

Carequick managing director, Colin Maxwell, said: "I'm a keen motoring enthusiast and I've entered a car into the Ormskirk MotorFest for the last three years. The first year I had a TVR S2 on display and for the last two years I have put in a Porsche 911 Targa. So, as a local businessman, I thought it would be good to support the MotorFest by providing some sponsorship for this exciting new event."

Mike Ashcroft, chairman of Aintree Circuit Club, said: "We are really excited about the Concours de Elegance which will give us and the vehicle owners the chance to show off some of the most beautiful cars at the MotorFest in a really special way.

"Some superb vehicles are brought to the MotorFest which would be worthy winners of a Concours de Elegance at any motoring event and we believe this will add a great competition element to the day."

To enter the Concours de Elegance cars must also be entered for the MotorFest displays as a whole. To enter your vehicle in the Concours de Elegance visit www.ormskirkmotorfest.com.

It is free to put your vehicle into the general MotorFest display, but £10 entry into the Concours.

Cars and motorcycles not taking part in the Concours De Elegance will also be lined up in Coronation Park and streets across Ormskirk town centre. Between 250 and 300 fabulous cars and motorcycles from all eras of motoring will be in display and many of them will take part in exciting parade laps around the town centre.

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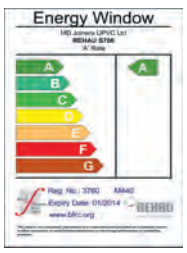

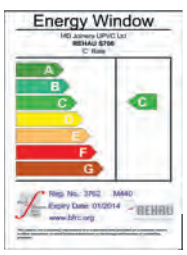

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Celebrity chefs and health experts talk tripe about food

I HAVE three concessions to healthy living – walking, daily morning porridge (apart from holidays when I treat myself to full English), and vegetables and fruit (mainly bananas).

My dinner, even if it's a curry or stir–fry, invariably includes broccoli – and carrots. In fact, the only veg I really do not like are butter beans (and that is probably down to school dinners).

My late mother told me that I always enjoyed my greens.

When I must have been three years old apparently I was found trying to feed my then baby brother George cabbage – because I'd been told it was good for me and having decided for myself it was good.

The one vegetable that puzzles me though is the Brussels Sprout. Everybody eats them with Christmas dinner – and then pulls faces if anyone mentions them at any other time.

Yet perversely they are sold throughout the winter months and are always available (and apparently saleable) frozen all year round. The vegetable that dare not speak its name?

I honestly cannot understand why today's kids generally profess to dislike green vegetables as much as they do. Perhaps I was lucky to have been born when I was, just after the war, when folk tended to eat whatever was put in front of them and grew up thinking that such foods as liver, kidneys – and cabbage were not only good for you but tasty too.

Mind you, I reckon the TV celebrity chefs have a lot to answer for.

Not that long ago for instance offal generally was thought by many to hardly be fit for human consumption.

Now, unhappily for me, they are being taught differently – and these days if a celeb does something, everybody has to follow.

So such food items as offal, or pig's belly or rabbit or for that matter tripe (which I love) which used to sell very cheaply, are now expensive niche items.

Mind you, the minefield which is what is currently counted as healthy and what should be shunned has recently become far more clear – for me at least.

According to the latest studies from the US, eggs have now officially got the green light, along with other dairy products and sunflower cooking oil. And apparently our native Government is expected to follow suit in the near future.

All of which is good news to me.

Now if they would only do the same for chocolate, my personal plate would indeed runneth over!

One thing that puzzles me concerns bread – you know, 'the staff of life'. I always preferred brown bread to white.

But a problem has occurred.

It might be just me, but it does seem that many wheatgerm loaves these day are unfit for purpose (to use a popular phrase).

Try buttering it and you run the risk of unholy holes appearing.

Fold a slice over and it tends to crumble as though the mice have been at it. All very frustrating.

But then, I guess it's all part of life's rich pattern.

And were my mum still with us, I'm quite certain she'd tell anyone in earshot that I abhor skimmed – or semi–skimmed milk for that matter.

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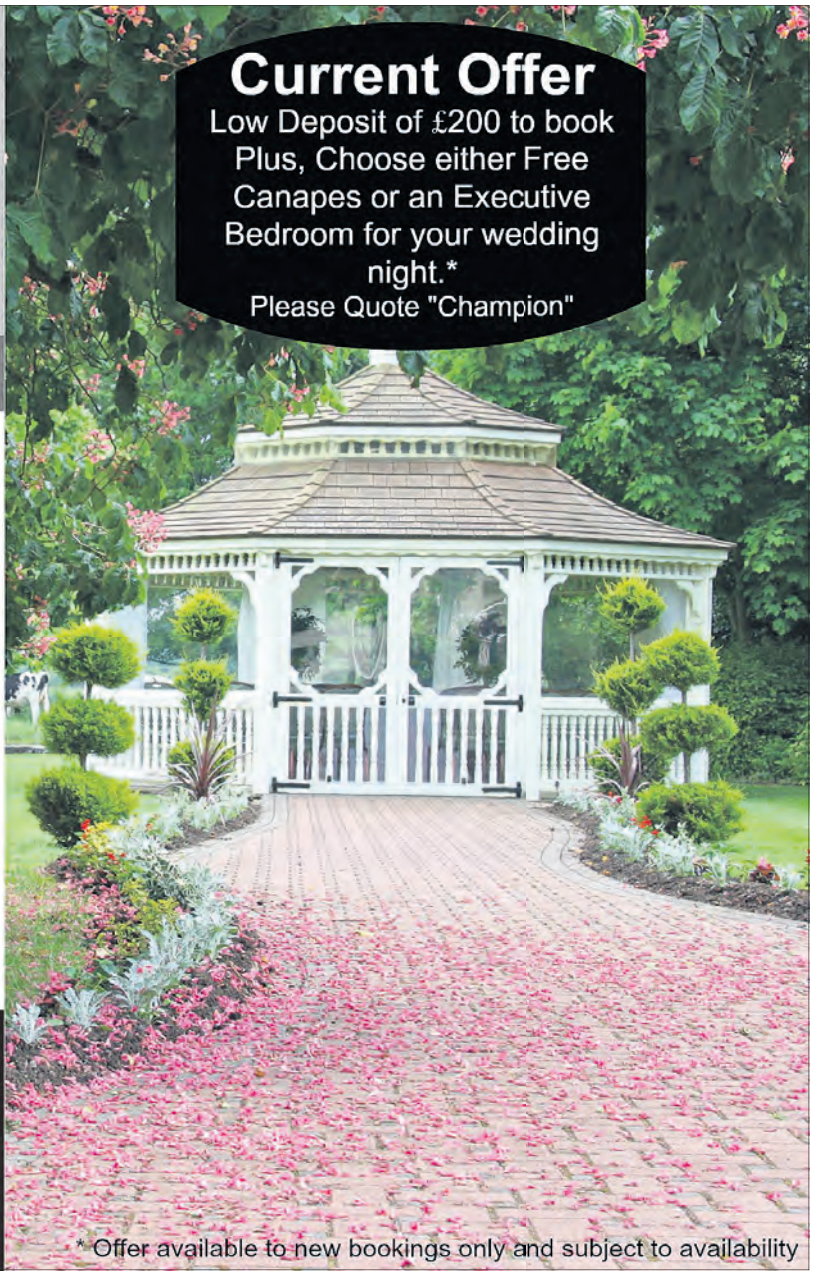
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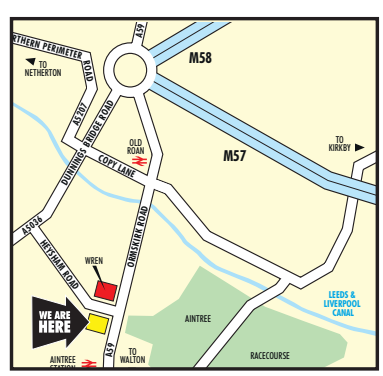

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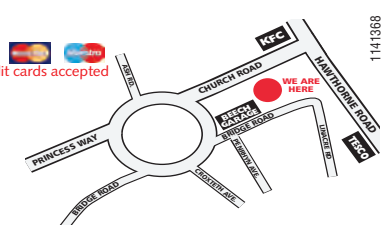

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Young fencer wins second adult bronze

Report by **Henry James**

TALENTED fencer Richard Michell has won his second bronze medal in an adult fencing tournament at the Cumberland Open in Carlisle.

The Scarisbrick Hall School pupil dispelled concerns about his fitness, having not fenced for a couple of months due to exams, by battling through to the last four before losing to the eventual champion.

All fencing events start with seeding fights, called poules, which are used to determine the rankings for the direct elimination fights that follow.

Richard had mixed results in the poules, winning three and losing three, but quickly focused on the task of winning the elimination fights.

In the last 16 Richard faced Joss Horn, a student from Aberdeen with a similar ranking to himself, and dominated the contest to win by a commanding 15–6.

Next up was top seed, Mark Lauchlan from the Wallace Fencing Academy, who won the silver medal at the Glasgow Open in April.

Lauchlan was a warm favourite but Richard surprised him winning 15–12.

That took him through to a semi–final pairing with Jonathan Bullock, Northumbria University's epee team captain, who raced into a 7–2 lead by the end of the first period.

Richard Michell

However, in the second period, Richard fought back and worked his way back into the contest to take the fight to a third period.

Unfortunately, Jonathan's early lead proved too great and the match ended with a final score of 15–12 and he then went on to win the final and a well–deserved gold medal.

Richard would like to thank coach David Stobbs, Lancashire County Council for their award from the Champion for Young People's budget and Adrian Shandley of Premier Wealth Management, for his continued sponsorship.

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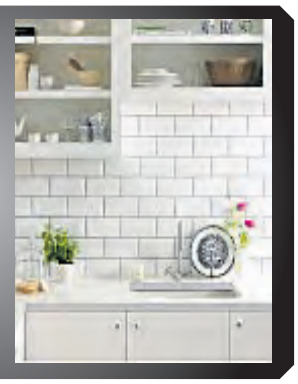

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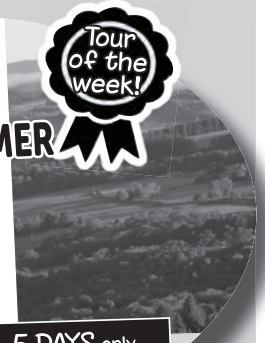

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More local schools book places in county games finals

The orienteering team from Aughton St Michael's CE Primary

THE orienteering team from Aughton St Michael's CE Primary School earned the right to represent West Lancashire at this year's SPAR Lancashire School Games County Finals, held yesterday (Tuesday, June 30) in Blackpool.

The team of six youngsters battled it out against 11 other teams from the borough who navigated their way around control points at Tarleton Academy.

Burscough St John's Mini Tennis team

• TALENTED tennis players from primary schools in the borough took part in the West Lancashire School Sport Partnership (WLSSP) Years 3/4 Mini Tennis Finals at Glenburn Sports College, Skelmersdale.

Burscough St John's CE and St Teresa's Primary in Up Holland made the final after beating off fierce competition in their respective competitions.

And in an extremely close final, with both schools winning two games each, Burscough St John's won with 88 points with St Teresa's finishing on 66 points.

Burscough St John's went on to represent West Lancashire at the Lancashire School games yesterday (Tuesday, June 30) in Blackpool.

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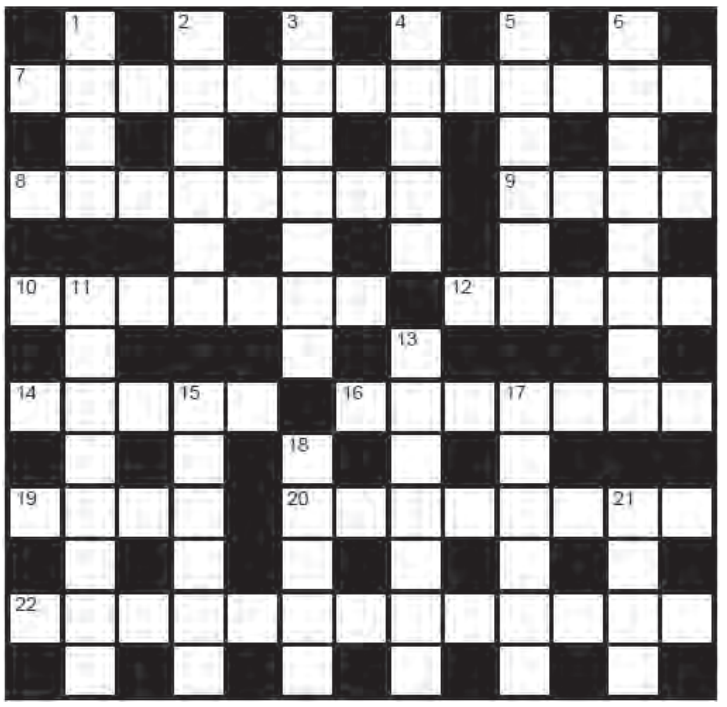

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Across: 7 Futile. 8 Scrawl. 9 Mere. 10 Tincture. 11 Tsunami. 13 After. 15 Olive. 17 Philtre. 20 Seagoing. 21 Cent. 22 Canton. 23 Energy.

Down: 1 Duress. 2 Pine. 3 Centime. 4 Using. 5 Truthful. 6 Swerve. 12 Navigate. 14 Chugged. 16 Leeway. 18 Renege. 19 Hinny. 21 Chew.

ACROSS

7 Conker-bearing tree (5,8)
8 Animal's record of descent (8)
9 To be or become wide open (4)
10 Material used to screen a window (7)
12 Glossy fabric (5)
14 Incline (5)
16 Water storage tank (7)
19 Satisfactory (4)
20 Cheap and inferior (8)
22 Helium nucleus emitted by some radioactive substances (5,8)

DOWN

1 The Bishop of Rome (4)
2 Short-sleeved casual top, usually cotton (1-5)
3 (Of a comment) Sharp and forthright (7)
4 Informal term for a well-known person (5)
5 Mark of disgrace (6)
6 Provider (8)
11 Improbable (8)
13 Cultivated hazel tree (7)
15 Famous 1960 film directed by Alfred Hitchcock (6)
17 Minutiae (6)
18 Light, thin fabric with a wrinkled surface (5)
21 Handle of a weapon (4)

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Learn about the power of words with Gyles Brandreth

Report by **Henry James**

GYLES Brandreth brings his new show Word Power to The Atkinson on Sunday, July 26.

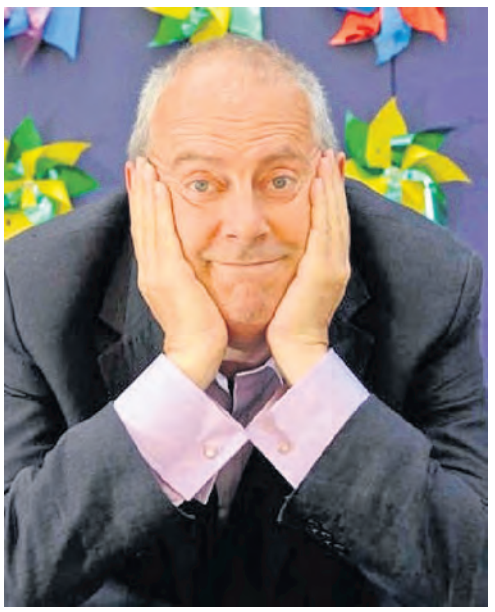
Audiences are invited to join Brandreth, who is an Edinburgh Fringe award winner, as he discusses the world of words.

He is a former MP and Government Whip, Just A Minute regular, One Showreporter, QI, Room 101, Have I Got News For You and Countdown survivor.

He has said: "No matter how eloquently a dog may bark, he cannot tell you that his parents were poor but honest." During the event in Southport, he will talk about the power of language and the magic of words.

Staff at the Atkinson are recommending that people book early as Brandreth's last two Edinburgh shows were sell–outs.

Giles Brandreth:Word Power comes to The Atkinson on Sunday, July 26 at 2.30pm. Tickets are available online attheatkinson.co.uk or by calling the Box Office on 01704 533333. They are also available over the counter.



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Orchestra close season with 'Power and Majesty' concert

CROSBY Symphony Orchestra go to town for their 2015 season finalé with their 'Power and Majesty' themed concert.

This concert, this Sunday (July 5) at 2.30pm, marks the Crosby–based orchestra's return to the Philharmonic Hall in Liverpool following its recent refurbishment.

The concert opens with Walton's Spitfire Prelude and Fugue. Written for the film The First of the Few, it depicts the mechanical and emotional power of the legendary aircraft, with noble march–like tunes and an adrenalin–fuelled ending!

The piece in fact was first played in the Philharmonic Hall in 1943 by the RLPO, conducted by Walton himself.

The Porgy and Bess Symphonic Picture has all the jazzy big band rhythms, jangling banjo tunes and sultry, rich string sounds you'd expect from its composer, Gershwin.

Familiar numbers such as Summertime, Bess, You is My Woman Now, It Ain't Necessarily So and I Got Plenty O' Nuttin, will get you singing along or at least tapping your feet! Porgy and Bess tells a tragic love story from the Deep South of America, its bitter–sweet melodies vividly conveying a sense of those troubled times.

Ian Tracey, eminent local organist features as the soloist in Saint–Saëns Symphony No.3, the 'Organ' Symphony. Listen out in this work for a couple of tunes 'borrowed' by pop music artists. The symphony unfolds to a majestic, powerful finale with a large orchestra and organ at full volume .

Edward Peak, another well–known local musician, conducts the programme. Edward recently won a Wirral Award for his services to music and the community which was presented to him by the Lord Mayor of Wirral in March.

The concert starts at 2.30pm and tickets are available at www.liverpoolphil.com

Sister Act 'was a fabulous show packed with energy'

Review by **Ron Ellis**

- **Sister Act**
- **Southport Spotlights**
- **Little Theatre, Southport**

YOU knew this was going to be something special when a crowd of nuns were assembled at the theatre entrance to greet the patrons as they came in. And something special it was.

Lauren Murphy was outstanding in the Whoopie Goldberg role of Deloris, the night club singer who has witnessed a murder and is sent by the police to a convent to protect her from the killer.

Adrian Roberts played the man who committed the deed, chubby gangster Curtis Jackson, with a surly panache, and gave a nice rendition of 'When I find my baby'.

The young police lieutenant, Eddie, who had a crush on Deloris, was played by John Delahunty who looked like a young Frank Sinatra as he sang 'I could be that guy'.

Blessed with the best throwaway lines, Marie Orr showed a great grasp of comedy as the Mother Superior, persuaded to accommodate the wayward stranger.

Rob McGregor was able to use his Irish lilt to good effect, standing in for Tom Hornby on the night as Monsignor O'Hara, whilst Beth Milligan, as the novice Mary Robert, showed her vocal talents in 'The life I never led'.

The highlight of the night was Sunday Morning Fever, an archetypal 70's disco anthem, sung by most of the large, talented cast, which had all the audience clapping fervently along, illuminated by two large disco mirror balls above the front of the stage.

Choreographed by Jackie Morris, the dancing throughout was exhilarating, enhanced by a variety of sparkling costumes.

Credit too to the backstage staff who had to cope with a non–stop change of sets, ensuring the show ran smoothly.

This was a fabulous show, packed with energy and vitality, accompanied by a pulsating soundtrack played by a superb 11–piece orchestra, under the direction of Charles Moss, that made period pieces like 'Carousel' and 'The King And I' look as relevant as a foxtrot at a disco.

In a recent review in the Champion, I said that an excellent professional production of 'The Producers' was 'nearly as good' as the one done a few months earlier by Southport Spotlights' .

Well, 'Sister Act' here was better than the West End production I saw, good as that was. Yet another triumph for the director, the indefatigable Stephen Hughes–Alty.

There are still a few seats left before the last night on Saturday. Book now. This is a show not to miss.

But one warning. Bring plenty of bottles of water. I have been in cooler saunas. Whatever happened to air conditioning? Good for the ice cream sales though!

Star Rating. 9 out of 10. A great night out.

Evening to celebrate music from movies and musicals

ONCE again the Southport Orchestra will produce another concert on the theme of music from the movies and excerpts from musicals as it did with success two years ago at the Floral Hall.

This time the Grand Summer Concert will take place at the Atkinson, Lord Street, Southport, PR8 1DB at 7.30pm on Saturday, July 11. As usual the Orchestra will perform under its regular conductor, Jeff Rimmer and with its leader Melanie Forster.

The audience will again be treated to pieces from stage and screen, some familiar music and some a little less so but all equally wonderful and easy on the ear.

Among the treasures included in the orchestra's selection for this summer concert are pieces from musical shows such as Les Miserables, Fiddler on the Roof and the Sound of Music.

Other gems to be performed are excerpts from the Carmen Suite by Bizet, and Phantom of the Opera.

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On the day itself there will be charity stalls in the hall, including a cake stall, and tombola. Refreshments will also be on sale.

All classic cars and bikes are welcome, the only criteria for joining in on the day is that you love your car/bike. It is a very easy going day, very relaxed, no prizes or awards, all cars/bikes are winners in their owners' eyes. Gate opens at 8am for exhibitors. Public parking is at the Scotch Piper Inn. Blue Badge/Disabled parking in the front car park of the Parish Hall.

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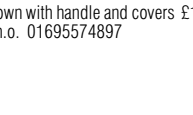

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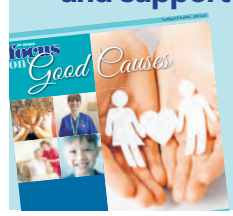

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FURLEY ROYSTON KENNETH

The family of the late Royston Kenneth Furley would like to thank friends and neighbours for their kindness and sympathy shown during their recent bereavement. Thank you for the cards and the donations sent for Dementia UK. Sincere gratitude to Ministers Reverend Peter Hughes and Reverend Martin Abrams for a comforting service and to Lyndale Nursing Home and Birch Abbey Dementia Care Centre for their patient and gentle care of Royston. Thank you to Howard's Funeral Directors for their help and support.
1141511

DEATHS

Holmes George
24th June 2015
Aged 74 years.
Loving husband of Teresa, devoted dad of Gary, Collette, Donna, Elaine and Tilly, cherished grandad of all his grandchildren and a dear father in law. Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral service will take place at St Helens Crematorium on Friday 3rd July at 2.30pm. family flowers only please by request, donations if desired for Queenscourt Hospice. All enquiries Margaret Whitelam, Skelmersdale Funeral Services, 29/31 Sandy Lane WN8 8LA. Tel: 01695 559868
1141500

Holmes George
On 24th June 2015
You're not forgotten Dad
nor ever will you be,
as long as life and
memories last,
I will remember thee
Broken hearted
Daughter Elaine and
son in law Jim
X X
1141563

Holmes George
on 24th June 2015
A Dad and Grandad a
guiding light,
who shines like a star
so proud and bright,
no pain, no suffering,
it's time to rest with
Mum, we agree "You're
simply the best"
Broken hearted son
Gary, Daughter in law
Gail and Grandchildren
Chloe and Karl
xx
1141568

FORRESTER MURIEL
June 22nd 2015
Aged 87 years
Peacefully in Queenscourt Hospice. Muriel will be sadly missed. Interment at Landican Cemetery, Wirral on Thursday 2nd July at 10:30 am followed by Celebration of Life Service at St James' Parish Church, Birkdale at 12:30 pm. Donations are being gratefully received for Queenscourt Hospice. Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport, PR8 5AW. Telephone: 01704 500086.
1141512

OWEN KENNETH (KEN)
24th June 2015
Aged 86 years
Dear husband of the late Colleen, dearly loved father of Karen, Dianne and the late David, father in law of Sharon. Much loved grandad of Peter and partner to the late Pauline, Ken will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral service at Southport Crematorium on Wednesday 8th July at 2.00pm. Family flowers only please but if desired donations may be sent for UCL Amyloidosis Research Fund. Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport, PR8 5AW. Telephone: 01704 500086.
1141497

DEATHS

Griffiths Linda
22nd June 2015
Sadly passed away aged 58 years
Linda will be loved and missed by all who knew her. A Memorial Service is to be held at St Mary the Virgin Church Rufford on Thursday 2nd July at 2.30pm. Donations are being gratefully received by the family on behalf of the Christie Charity. Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough L40 5UU Tel: 01704 897770
1141438

Holmes George
On 24th June 2015
Much loved brother
in law,
goodnight and
godbless George,
we will cherish our
lovely memories and
we will miss you
always.
Rest in peace from
Bernie, John, Angela,
John, Gary, Emma
and family
XXXX
1141562

Holmes George
On 24th June 2015
Those we love don't
go away.
They walk beside us
every day, unseen,
unheard, but always
near, still loved,
still missed and
very dear.
What a lovely man.
R.I.P. George.
Elaine, Tony, Maria,
Nuala and Kerry
1141565

Holmes George
on 24th June 2015
If I could write a story,
it would be the
greatest ever told,
of a kind and loving dad
who had a
heart of gold,
I will remember
all you taught me,
I'm hurt but
won't be sad,
because you'll send
me down the answers
and you will always
be my Dad.
"My eyes adored you Dad"
Broken hearted
daughter Tilly,
son in law Lee and
grandchildren
Megan & Jack xx
1141569

Clayton James Alan (Known as Alan)
June 25th 2015
Aged 92 years.
Beloved husband of Ivy Mildred Clayton
Father of Kevin, David and Pat.
Grandad of Justine, Rachel, Melanie, Jenny, Sean and Hannah.
Will be sadly missed by family and friends.
Family flowers only but donations if desired to Alzheimers Society.
All enquiries to Hunters Funeral Directors.
Tel: 01695 572997.
1141572

RIMMER VERA
26th June 2015
Aged 91 years
Much loved wife of the late Don, devoted mum of Richard. She will be greatly missed by all her family and friends. Service at Southport Crematorium on Monday 6th July at 12:00 noon. Family flowers only please but if desired donations are being gratefully received for Queenscourt Hospice. Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport, PR8 5AW. Tel: 01704 500086.
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PRAYER

Novena
45591
To be said every hour for nine consecutive hours and promise publication.
O God who has said "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you", I know, I seek, I ask that my prayers be answered (request).
O God who has said "All that you ask of the Father in My Name will be granted" - I humbly and urgently request the Father in Thy name that my request be granted (request).
O God who has said "Heaven and earth shall pass away but my word shall not". Through the intersession of Mary Thy Most Holy Mother, I feel confident that my prayers will be answered (request).
A.F.

PRAYER

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN
Never known to fail.
O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, faithful Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity, O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, O Holy Mary Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity.
(Make Request).
There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 Times).
Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times).
Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.
This prayer must be said for three days and after that the request will be granted and the prayer must be published.
MJE

DEATHS

GLOVER ERIC WM
Taken away suddenly from his loving family on 25th June aged 64.
Much loved Husband, Dad, Brother, Grandad and Great Grandad.
He was respected and admired by all that knew him.
The funeral service will take place Wednesday 8th July at Southport Crematorium. Family flowers only please, request donations for North West Air Ambulance or The Community Heartbeat Trust.
Many thanks to all the people who took care of Eric in his hour of need
Bless you all
45661

DEATHS

Holmes George
on 24th June 2015
You can shed tears
that he has gone,
or you can smile
because he has lived.
You can close your
eyes and pray that he
will come back,
or open your eyes
and see the greatness
that he has left.
"Walk slowly until I
catch up with you..."
Goodnight and
Godbless
Your loving wife
Teresa x
1141571

DEATHS

Holmes George
on 24th June 2015
You were not just a Dad
but also a best friend,
provider and protector
until the very end.
There's a million
different reasons why
I'll miss you Dad,
especially when I
remember the great
family times we've had.
I will hold you close
within my heart and
there you will remain,
to continue to guide me
through my life until we
meet again.
Godbless Dad, your
Daughter Donna,
Son in law Gary
and Grandaughter
Courteney.
xx
1141567

DEATHS

Holmes George
on 24th June 2015
God saw you getting tired,
a cure was not to be,
so he put his arms around
you and whispered come
with me.
With tearful eyes we
watched you, we watched
you fade away,
although we loved you
dearly we could not
make you stay.
A golden heart stopped
beating, hard working
hands now rest,
God broke our hearts
to prove to us
He only takes the best.
Goodnight, Godbless
Your broken hearted
daughter Collette,
son in law George and
grandchildren Georgia
and Charlie x x
1141570

DEATHS

McArdle James (Mac)
on 21st June 2015
Peacefully aged 83 years.
Loving husband of the late Dorothy, devoted Dad, Grandad, Great Grandad & Brother, will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral service took place at St. Paul's Church followed by committal at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 30th June 2015, it was family flowers only by request and donations are gratefully being received for St. Paul's Church & Beacon View Rest Home.
All enquiries Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service
29/31 Sandy Lane
Tel: 01695 559868
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DEATHS

GLYNN Frances "Auntie Fran"
A treasured and
fun Aunt.
You'll be sadly missed.
Lots of love
Julie, Jane & the family
XXX
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IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Annie Edwards

2nd July 2014

One year has passed since that sad day, when the one we loved was called away, God loved her too and thought it best, to take her home with him to rest.

From all her loving family

xx

45592

IN MEMORIAM

Begg William (Bill)

29th June 2015

100th Birthday

Loved and missed more each day. No telegram but all my love always. Your AL

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ENGAGEMENTS

Congratulations to both of you

Fiona Richards & Anthony Suffolk

15th June 2015

Love both families

6111730

BIRTHDAY MEMORIAMS

FITZPATRICK MARIE

3rd July

Much loved sister of Robert and Albie, sister-in-law to Maureen and Theresa.

Not a day goes by without us missing you.

Always in our hearts.

Love always, from Rob and family.

xxx

45590

BIRTHDAY MEMORIAMS

Carlyle John Paul

30th June

Thinking of you on your 50th birthday.

We will have a drink to it for all the memories of a remarkable and wonderful son, dad, brother, uncle and friend to many. These memories will never be replaced by anyone.

Love from mum Joan, daughter Bonnie and bump, brothers and sisters Karen, Joseph, Helen, Colette, Joanie and Denis.

Also their partners, your nieces and nephews and all your friends.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(BUTCHERS LANE, AUGHTON, WEST LANCASHIRE)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over that length of Butchers Lane, Aughton approx 20 metres either side of bridge structure SJ02/13, West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Butchers Lane - B5197 Prescot Road - Mickering Lane - Sandy Lane - Bold Lane - Brookfield Lane - Butchers Lane and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow bridge examination works to be carried out.
The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours until 1600 hours on Sunday 12th July 2015 or until completion of the works within this period.

Phil Durnell, Head of Highways,
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: 15/42/LTM]

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NOTICE OF MAKING
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
VARIOUS ROADS INCLUDING A570 AND A577, BURSCOUGH, BLAGUEGATE, ORMSKIRK, SKELMERSDALE AND WESTHEAD, WEST LANCASHIRE)
(REVOCATION, RESTRICTED ROAD, DE-RESTRICTION, 40MPH AND 50MPH SPEED LIMITS) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on 24th June 2015 Lancashire County Council made the above Traffic Regulation Order under Sections 83(2) and 84 ff and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to:
1.Revoke the whole of the "The District Council Of West Lancashire (Blaguegate Lane/Neverstitch Road/Houghtons Road/Stananought Road) (A577) (40 M.P.H. Speed Limit) Order 1995".
2.Revoke the whole of the "The District Council Of West Lancashire (Cross Hall Brow (A577), Ormskirk) (40 M.P.H. Speed Limit) Order 1995".
3.Revoke the whole of the "The District Council Of West Lancashire (Various Roads, Westhead And Lathom) (Speed Limits) Order 1995".
4.Revoke the "The District Council Of West Lancashire (Moor Street, Wigan Road And Crosshall Brow, Ormskirk) (A577) (Speed Restriction) Order 1985" insofar as it relates to the restricted road on Moor Street And Wigan Road, Ormskirk, commencing at the junction of Moor Street with St. Helens Road and extending to a point 328 metres east of the junction of Wigan Road with Thompson Avenue.
5.Introduce restricted road status in the following lengths of road:
a)A577. Blaguegate Lane/Ormskirk Road, Blaguegate, from a point 70 metres east of the centre line of Hollands Lane for a distance of 1070 metres in an easterly direction including the roundabout at the junction of B5312 Railway Road.
b)A577 Wigan Road, Westhead, from a point 124 metres east of the centre line of Dicks Lane in a north westerly direction to a point 221 metres west of the centre line of Castle Lane.
c)A577 Wigan Road/Moor Street, Ormskirk, from a point 320 metres east of the centre line of Thompson Avenue in a generally westerly direction to the junction of Moor Street with St. Helens Road.
d)A570 Southport Road, Ormskirk, from a point 60 metres North of the centreline of County Road for a distance of 890 metres in a generally North Westerly direction to a point 166 metres North West of the centreline of Heskin Lane.
e)A570 Southport Road, Scarisbrick, from a point 267 metres South East of the centreline of Bescar Brow Lane for a distance of 2340 metres in a generally North Westerly direction to a point 112 metres North West of the centreline of New Hall Drive.
6.Introduce a 40mph speed limit in the following lengths of road:
a)A.577 Stannanought Road, Skelmersdale, both sides of road along that length forming a loop south of the M58 Motorway, a distance along said length of road of approximately 827 metres, from a point 31 metres north of the centre line of the bridge carrying the M58 over the eastern carriageway of Stannanought Road to a point approximately 31 metres north of the centre line of the bridge carrying the M58 over the westerly carriageway of Stannanought Road.
b)B5312 Railway Road And Grimshaw Road, Skelmersdale, both sides of road from a point 50 metres south of the centre of the roundabout at the junction of Railway Road, Ormskirk Road, Neverstitch Road and Witham Road in a south-easterly and easterly direction to a point 2.5 metres east of the centre line of footbridge No. 4014F1 (Delphside Footbridge) over Grimshaw Road,
c)A577 Neverstitch Road/Houghtons Road/Stannanought Road, Skelmersdale, both sides of road commencing at a point 50 metres north of the centre point of the roundabout junction of Ormskirk Road/Neverstitch Road/Railway Road and thereafter proceeding in a generally northerly and then easterly direction to a point 70 metres east of the centre point of the roundabout junction of Ashurst Road/Birch Green Road/Houghtons Road/Stannanought Road.
d)A577 Wigan Road/Dickets Lane/Blaguegate Lane, Blaguegate, Both sides of road from a point 70 metres South East of the centreline of Hollands Lane in a North Westerly direction to a point 134 metres South East of the centreline of Dicks Lane.
e)A577 Cross Hall Brow, Ormskirk, Both sides of road commencing at a point 321 metres east of the centre line of Thompson Avenue to a point 221 metres west of the centre line of Castle Lane.
f)A570. Southport Road, Scarisbrick, from a point 485 metres South East of the centreline of Smithy Lane for a distance of 2034 metres in a generally North Westerly direction to a point 267 metres South East of the centreline of Bescar Brow Lane.
g)A570. Southport Road, Scarisbrick, from a point 112 metres North West of the centreline of New Hall Drive for a distance of 1429 metres in a generally North Westerly direction to the boundary between the County Borough of Southport and the rural district of West Lancashire.
7.Introduce a 50mph speed limit in the following lengths of road:
a)A570. Southport Road, Scarisbrick, from a point 166 metres North West from the centreline of Heskin Lane for a distance of 2233 metres to a point a point 485 metres South East of the centreline of Smithy Lane.
b)A59 Moss Lane and Liverpool Road North, Burscough, from a point 35 metres north east of the centreline of Back Moss Lane for a distance of 2330 metres in a north easterly direction.
8.Derestrict the A577 Stannanought Road, Skelmersdale, from a point approximately 31 metres north of the centre line of the bridge carrying the M58 in a North Westerly direction to a point 90.5 metres North East of the centreline of Ashurst Road.
This Order will come into force on the 6th July 2015. A copy of the Order, and all other relevant documents may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of West Lancashire Borough Council, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, L39 2DF, and at the offices of The Director of Governance, Finance and Public Services, Lancashire County Council, County Hall, PO Box 78, Preston PR1 8XJ, quoting ref: LSG4/5.52765/RH3.

Ian Young, Director of Governance, Finance and Public Services
1st July 2015

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(HUNDRED END LANE, TAYLOR'S MEANYGATE, BOUNDARY LANE, BANKS, SOUTHPORT, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle, cycle or pedestrian from proceeding over the following lengths of road

Hundred End Lane, Taylor's Meanygate, Boundary Lane, Banks, Southport from its junction with Hundred End Lane/ Taylor's Meanygate to its junction with Taylor's Meanygate/ Moss Lane, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Hundred End Lane Shore Road Station Road, Moss Lane Taylor's Meanygate and vice versa.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow major water works to be carried out.
The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Monday 22nd June 2015 to 1800 hours Friday 24 July 2015, or until completion of the works within this period.

Phil Durnell, Head of Highways
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701
[Ref: LHS/BS/15/30/SH]

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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15

APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Application No: 2015/0527/FUL Demolition of former nursery and erection of single dwelling at Swan Farm, Swan Lane, Aughton.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2015/0621/OUT Outline application including details of access, layout and scale for the construction of six dwellings following demolition of existing commercial premises at Downholland Bridge Business Park, Mairscough Lane, Downholland.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2015/0630/OUT Outline application of the construction of 3 no detached dwellings following demolition of the existing commercial buildings (including details of access, layout and scale) at Land To The South-west Of, Mercer Court, Great Altcar.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2015/0636/FUL Demolition of existing glasshouse and construction of a replacement glasshouse and energy centre at Melrow Salads, Melrow Nurseries, Rydings Lane, Banks.

APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING

Application No: 2015/0623/FUL Erection of a prefabricated garden room to be used as a gym at Tildsleys Farmhouse, Elmers Green Lane, Skelmersdale.
Application No: 2015/0624/LBC Listed Building Consent - Erection of a prefabricated garden room to be used as a gym at Tildsleys Farmhouse, Elmers Green Lane, Skelmersdale.
Application No: 2015/0640/FUL Formation of new vehicular access and construction of garage with associated hard stading at 1 White Cottages, Back Lane, Newburgh.
Application No: 2015/0652/FUL Extension of existing horse gallops to land adjacent Blythe Hall at Blythe Hall, Blythe Lane, Lathom
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's web site www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e-mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to the Planning Division, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.
Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI — Dated: 1st July 2015
Assistant Director Planning — PDNOT850

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Audit of Accounts
Year Ended 31 March 2015

Audit Commission Act 1998, Sections 15-16.
Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011 - Regulations 9, 10, 21, 22 & 24.

The Council's accounts are subject to external audit by Grant Thornton of 4 Hardman Square, Spinningfields, Manchester M3 3EB. Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process:

1. From the 15 July 2015 to 11 August 2015, Monday to Friday between 9.30am to 12.30pm and 1.30pm to 4.30pm, any person may inspect the accounts of the Council for the year ended 31 March 2015 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) at the address given below. They may also make copies of the accounts and documents.

2. From 10.00am on 12 August 2015 until the conclusion of the audit process, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given above to make arrangements to ask any questions.

3. From 10.00am on 12 August 2015 until the conclusion of the audit process, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may object to the Council's accounts asking that the auditor issue a report in the public interest (under section 8 of the Audit Commission Act 1998) and/or apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (under section 17 of the Audit Commission Act 1998). Written notice of a proposed objection and the grounds on which it is made must be sent to the auditor at the address given above and copied to me at the address given below.

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Dated: 1 July 2015

Marc Taylor
Borough Treasurer
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IF THE ORDER IS MADE, the stopping up will be authorised only in order to enable development as permitted by West Lancashire Borough Council, under reference 2014/1189/FUL.

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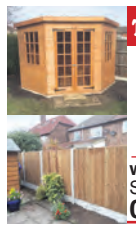

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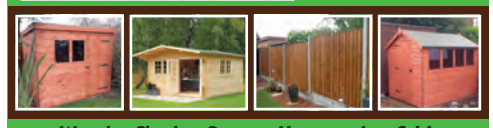

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THE SKODA Yeti was the fastest thing on wheels when last weekend's Goodwood Festival of Speed drew to a close.

It was a weird moment of motoring brilliance but it really happened – a car I've long championed as being the best all–rounder you can buy in the real world was faster than a Ferrari California, a Porsche 911 Turbo and a BMW M3 CSL to name but three.

Largely because they were stuck in Britain's longest snake of pre–event traffic and we weren't.

All three of these supercars weren't able to take advantage of the rutted byway we'd found snaking across the fields in a completely different way out of the nation's biggest motoring event.

While it was a road in the loosest terms, it had the sort of frightening inclines, pointy rocks and deep ruts that'd give Land Rover owners second thoughts.

But I've long maintained the Yeti is a shrunken Discovery, and sure enough it was skirting its way around every obstacle, leaving the miles of traffic behind. Mr 911 Turbo, I imagine, is still stuck in that jam now!

So the Yeti – with its short overhangs and slab sides – is a far better off–roader than it has any right to be. Yet it's also the same car that managed to convey an obscenely long bookcase the previous weekend, and the same set of wheels that whisked me across the breadth of the country comfortably and quietly along the motorways.

Don't get me wrong – it isn't perfect. The air con controls are mounted so close to the gearlever that you're confronted by an Arctic gust every time you go for third, and there's a mysterious button on the centre console marked 'TIM' which failed to summon Messrs Henman, Dalton or Mallett whenever I pressed it.

It's also not quite as sharp to drive as the Golf it's based on, but if anything that's a backhanded compliment. The Volkswagen Golf is Europe's best–selling car and its party trick has been to spawn all sorts of other cars using roughly the same ingredients, which is why the Audi A3, the Volkswagen Scirocco and the SEAT Leon all feel a bit familiar. But I reckon the Yeti – by making a Golf so rugged and roomy and yet still feel Golfesque to drive – is by far the best of the bunch.

Yes, on paper the quickest Golf of them all is the 300bhp Golf R. But give me a rutted track, a bookcase and a traffic jam to deal with and I know which I'd bet on.

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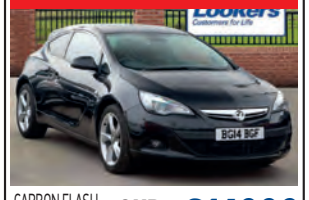

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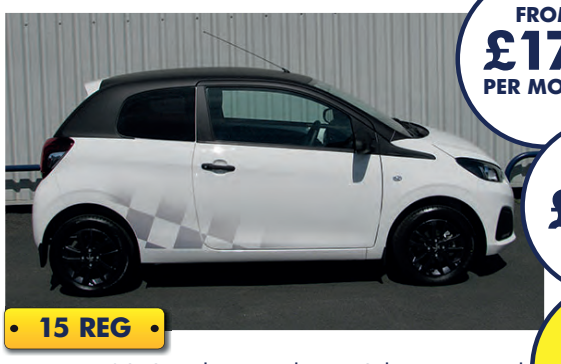

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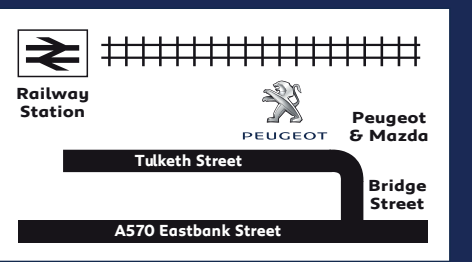

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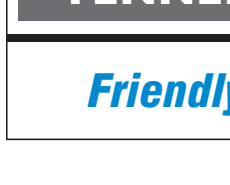

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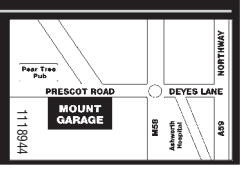

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Former footballer and manager dies, aged 79

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Cup action as Ipswich overcame Maltese side Floriana 14–1 in the first round before being paired with eventual winners, AC Milan. Despite winning their home leg 2–1, Ipswich went down 4–2 on aggregate to the Italian giants.

He moved on to play for Barrow but following injury he retired from the full–time game in 1967.

After management stints at Burscough and Formby, for a long time he gave his experience to local team Burscough Legion, where he helped develop a lot of local talent. He came to back to help Burscough out as manager in the 1990s and helped to stabilised the club.

Larry continued to live in the area and sons David and John joined the coaching staff at Burscough, as did his son–in–law Alex Blakeman.

Grandson Liam Blakeman was a member of the Burscough FA Cup team that beat Gillingham and famously drew Manchester United in 2005/06, and is now assistant manager himself, the third generation of the family to serve the club.

Locally, Larry will be best remembered as a smiling man who never boasted about what he had achieved, but would always offer a word of friendly advice to anyone if asked.

He will be missed by many people in the local football fraternity and beyond.

The funeral will take place at noon on Monday, July 6 at St John's Church, Burscough.

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Jones and Glayzer pile on runs before bowlers seal victory

Firth fires out five for S&B as Formby dismissed for just 96

ORMSKIRK are in second place in the Liverpool & District Cricket Competition Premier Division after they recovered from a disatrous start having three wickets down for just four runs at one stage at Northern to post a total of 213 all out.

This was thanks in the main to opener Michael Jones (89) and in form skipper Matty Glayzer (80) who added a vital 150 run partnership for the fourth wicket.

Ryan Maddock 4–36 and Tom Sephton 3–70 took the bulk of the wickets.

In reply Maddock then top scored with 56 as the hosts were dismissed for 144, thanks to Liam Hurt 4–35 and Lancashire's Simon Kerrigan 3–36.

Southport & Birkdale upset the odds to record a 4 wicket win at title contenders Formby. The hosts chose to bat first on winning the toss but they were dismissed for just 95 with Hasseb Hameed the only Formby batsmen to make any kind of score with 31, as Southport's Chris Firth 4–17 and Chris Brownlow 3–19 produced their most consistent bowling spells of the season.

In reply, Guy Edwards (30), Josh Bohannon (19*) and James McCombie (18) all played their part as S&B sealed victory on 97–6, with Alex Lines 5–41 taking the bowling honours. The result leaves Formby in third place in the table behind leaders New Brighton who stay top after beating Wallesy by 57 runs on Saturday, and Ormskirk, and two places above S&B.

Bootle sank to the bottom of the division after a comprehensive defeat six wicket defeat at home to Lytham. Bootle were dismissed for a total of 153 which the visitors chased down for the loss of 6 wickets in the 39th over.

This weekend's local LDCC Premier League fixtures: Leigh v Formby, Ormskirk v Lytham.

Burscough batsmen make light work of chasing down 220

BURSCOUGH remain top of the Second Division after a 7 wicket home win over Hightown St Mary's.

The visitors were asked to bat and thanks to a fine century from Kamran Hussain (106 inc 12x4 &3x6) and 31 from Matt Laybourne put a very respectable 220–6 dec total up on the board, with Jon Stone taking 3–53.

The hosts reply was built around a brilliant team batting performance that saw Ryan Hughes (71), Australian Navdeep Aujla (64), Lee Berrie (39), Brendan Domigan (18*) and Stone (10*) all contribute to a winning total of 222–3.

Skelmersdale lost by six wickets to Orrell Red Triangle. No Skem batsmen could post a score of more than 16 as that were dismissed for 117 with Tom Jones taking four wickets for 34 runs. The total proved no problem for Orrell RT who chased it down for the loss of four wickets, Bevan Small top scoring with 43.

In the First Division, second placed Maghull lost by 7 wickets at home to Wigan.

Skelmersdale go down to Orrell after failing to post imposing total

The hosts elected to bat and managed to put 174 up on the board, thanks in the main to Declan Devine (36), John Fitzgerald (34) and Liam Crilly (28), whilst Derbyshire all rounder Matt Critchley took 3–38 with the ball.

In reply Wigan skipper and former New Zealand batsman Aaron Redmond led from the front with an unbeaten 98 and Critchley hit undefeated 52 as the visitors wrapped up victory on 177–3.

Fleetwood Hesketh are now on equal points with Maghull after a huge 129 run home win over Sefton Park.

After choosing to bat first the hosts made good use of a flat track to post 225.

This was thanks to valuable contributions with the bat from Lee Rimmer (64), Tasmanian Harry Nichols (42), Neil Rimmer (25) and Derek Sykes (24), whilst the pick of the bowlers was Daniel Kelly with 4–63. In reply Sefton got off to a disastrous start and were soon 0–3, 5–5 and then 14–6 before they were eventually dismissed for 96 with skipper Richie Forsyth unbeaten on 24, while Matt Collins helped himself to 5–13 with the new ball.

Ainsdale slipped into the bottom two after going down by 6 wickets at Rainford.

The visitors were put in to bat and duly bowled out for 133, with Mark Lucas (25) and Sam Lucas (24) top scoring, whilst Andrew Davies 5–30 and IPL star Pravin Tambe 3–33 took the bowling honours.

In reply Tambe then weighed in with 49 and Joe Noctor hit an unbeaten 61 as Rainford sealed victory on 134–4.

This weekend's local LDCC First and Second Division fixtures: Maghull v St Helens, Old Xaverians v Skelmersdale, Caldy v Burscough and Hightown St Mary's v Orrell Red Triangle.

School make county cup final

ORMSKIRK'S St Annes RC Primary School year 6 football team reached the finals of the Liverpool Cup under 11s final held at the Liverpool FC Academy in Kirkby. The team had won 10 matches to get to the semi–final when the beat Farnborough 2–0 thanks to a great performance from the goalkeeper, Dan McCoy, with goals from Matthew Oxton and Lewis Crotty. McCoy was man of the match in the final against St Pauls from West Derby with a string of fine saves, but despite his best efforts they lost 2–0. The school thanked the staff at LFC for a "great experience for the pupils."

St Annes in action in the semi–final against Farnborough.

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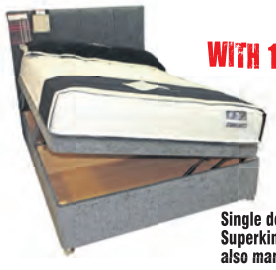

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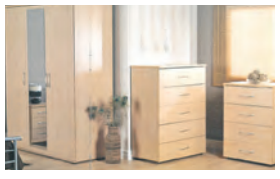

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BEER: Bud, Becks or Stella **£1.50** a bottle

WINE: Red, White or Rosé **£9** a bottle

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Create your own PIZZA

	10" THIN CRUST	10" DEEP PAN	12" THIN CRUST	12" DEEP PAN	14" THIN CRUST
Cheese & Tomato	£3.90	£4.90	£6.10	£7.10	£7.10
Chicken & Mushroom **Chicken & Sweetcorn** **Pepperoni or Salami** **Ham & Pineapple** **Ham & Mushroom** **Ham & Chicken** **BBQ Chicken** Chicken & BBQ Sauce	£4.80	£5.80	£7.20	£8.20	£8.40
Hot Tandoori Tandoori Chicken, Onions, Pepperoni & Jalapeños **Hot Pepperoni** Pepperoni, Red Onions, Chilli **Hot & Spicy** Minced Beef, Onion & Green Chillies **Mexican Hot** Chilli Con Carne, Onions or Jalapeños **Donner** Donner Meat, Red Onions, Jalapeños & Sausage **Garlic Chicken** Mushroom, Garlic, Red Onion, Chicken **Meatballs** Green Peppers, Onions and Fresh Tomato **Vegetarian** Mushrooms, Pepper, Red Onion, Sweetcorn, Fresh Tomato **Seafood** Tuna, Prawns, Anchovies	£5.20	£6.20	£7.80	£8.80	£8.80
Mighty Meat Chicken, Ham, Pepperoni, Salami, Sliced meats **Big Mighty Amigo Pizza** Double Pepperoni, Salami, Sausage, Chicken **Amigos Pizza** Meatballs, Sausage, Onion, Green Peppers, Salami **Supreme Pizza** Mushrooms, Ham, Red Onion, Pepperoni, Peppers & Salami	£5.90	£6.90	£8.80	£9.80	£9.80
Extra Toppings (each)	£0.80	£0.80	£1.00	£1.00	£1.10

Pepperoni, Salami, Chicken, Ham, Prawns, Tuna, Garlic, Anchovies, Fresh Tomato, Olives, Jalapeños, Mushroom, Pineapple, Sausage, Meatballs

If you have any FOOD or DRINK ALLERGIES or INTOLERANCES please speak to a member of our staff before placing your order

Shmoo Milkshakes
Reg £1.45 Lrg £1.95
Cream and toppings 50p extra

Calazone Pizza fries and salad with any topping of your choice **£6.00**

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FATAYER PIZZA

	10"
Fatayer Pizza Mince Meat, Cheese	£3.80
Spinach Fatayer Spinach, Cheese	£3.80
Lamb Fatayer Cheese, Red Onion	£3.80

GARLIC BREAD

	10"	12"
Plain Garlic Bread	£2.20	£3.20
with Cheese	£3.00	£4.80
with Cheese, Mushrooms or Onions	£3.80	£5.50
with Cheese, Mushrooms, Donner Meat, Red Onion or Pepperoni	£6.20	
Vegetarian with Green Peppers, Onions, Mushroom or Fresh Tomato	£3.80	
Tank Special with Donner Meat, Onions, Chilli Sauce & Garlic Mayonnaise	£4.80	£6.80

KIDS MEALS ALL ONLY £2.99 EACH

1. Poppin' Chicken, Chips & Drink
2. 1 Piece Chicken, Chips & Drink
3. 4 Pieces Chicken Nuggets, Chips & Drink
4. 7" Cheese & Tomato Pizza & Drink
5. Chicken Burger & Drink

SPECIAL OFFERS

Offers do not include Free Garlic Bread

6. **KEBAB MEAL** 1 Chicken Kebab, 1 Donner Kebab, 1 Chips & 2 Cans of Drink **£8.90**
7. **BURGER MEAL** 2 1/4lb Cheeseburgers, 2 Chips & 2 Cans of Drink **£7.99**
8. **MEAL DEAL** 2 10" Pizzas with three Toppings, 1 10" Garlic Bread with Cheese, 1 Large Chips & 1 Cans of Drink **£11.50**
9. **FAMILY BOX** 8 Pieces of Chicken, 5 Chicken Wings, 3 Chips, 1 Tub of Beans Coleslaw and Bottled Drink **£12.50**
10. **HOUSE SPECIAL** 1 14" Pizza with three Toppings, 1 12" Garlic Bread with Cheese, 1 Large Chips & 1 Coleslaw, 1 1.5L Bottle of Drink **£12.50**
11. **MIXED MEAL** 1 12" Pizza with three Toppings, 1 10" Garlic Bread with Cheese, 1 Mixed Grill Kebab & Small Chips Coleslaw & 1 1.5L Bottle of Drink **£16.00**
12. **AMIGO'S SPECIAL** 2 12" Pizzas with three Toppings, 1 10" Garlic Bread with Cheese, 1 Coleslaw, Onion Rings Chips and a Bottle of Drink **£17.90**

FRESH & HOT CONTINENTAL FAST FOOD

Choose from our delicious and nutritious menu … at Amigos we only use the finest ingredients. All our dough is hand rolled fresh daily, to ensure that you get freshly made, piping hot pizzas. We want you enjoy your meal … when you do, please tell others. If you don't, please tell US so that we may serve you better next time.

KEBABS

REGULAR … served with Salad Sauce and Pitta Bread • LARGE … served with Salad Sauce and Naan Bread

	Reg	Lge
Donner Meat	£3.40	£4.10
Donner Kebab	£3.80	£4.80
Donner Chips	£4.00	£4.90
Chicken Kebab	£4.50	£5.50
Kofte Kebab	£4.50	£5.50
Shish Kebab	£4.50	£5.50
Shish & Chicken Kebab	£5.40	£6.40
Mixed Kebab Donner Chicken or Donner Shish	£5.40	£6.40
Mixed Grill Kebab Shish, Chicken, Donner Meat and Chips	£8.00	
Chicken Tikka Tandoori	£4.50	£5.50
Special Kebab Chicken, Shish, Donner, Kofte, Salad, Chips, 2 Pitta Bread, Sauce		£10.00
Veg Kebab	£2.50	£3.50

BURGERS

ALL SERVED WITH FRESH SALAD AND SAUCE

	1/4lb	1/2lb
Home Made Beef Burger (Local butcher)	£2.90	£3.60
Beef Burger	£2.40	£3.40
Donner Burger	£2.40	£3.40
Cheese Burger	£2.60	£3.60
Chicken Burger	£2.60	£3.60
Chicken Fillet Burger	£2.90	£3.90
Spicy Chicken Fillet Burger	£2.90	£3.90
Veg Burger	£2.60	£3.60
Special Chicken Burger with Onion Rings, Cheese	£3.20	£4.20
Mexican Burger Chilli Con Carne	£2.90	£3.90
Special Beef Burger with Chicken	£3.20	£4.20

JACKET POTATOES

with Cheese	£1.80
with Tuna Mayo	£2.80
with Beans and Cheese	£2.80
with Coleslaw	£2.80
with Prawns and Mayo	£2.80
with Chilli Con Carne	£2.80
SPECIAL BAKED POTATO with Fresh Tomatoes, Onions and Butter	£3.00
EXTRA TOPPINGS Coleslaw, Mayo, Chilli, Beans, Prawns, Ham & Butter	each £0.80

WRAPS

ALL SERVED WITH SALAD & SAUCE

Chicken Wrap	£3.90
Lamb Wrap	£3.90
Kofte Wrap	£3.90
Spicy Wrap Chilli Sauce & Garlic Mayonnaise	£3.90

SPAGHETTI

ALL SERVED WITH A PORTION OF MEATBALLS

Spaghetti Bolognese	£5.80
Spaghetti Lamb	£5.80
Spaghetti Chicken	£5.80
Spaghetti Prawns	£5.40
Spaghetti Vegetarian	£5.40

FRIED CHICKEN

1 Piece Chicken with Chips	£2.20
2 Pieces Chicken with Chips	£3.20
3 Pieces Chicken with Chips	£4.20
6 Pieces Chicken with 2 Fries	£7.10
Half Chicken with Rice	£6.50

EXTRAS

	Reg	Lge
Chips	£1.20	£1.80
Cheese and Chips	£1.80	£2.40
Onion Rings	£1.80	£2.20
Naan Bread, Chips and Extra Cheese		£2.50
Chicken, Chips and Cheese		£2.50
Chips, Cheese and Beans		£2.40
Dipping Chicken and Chips		£3.50
Hash Browns (7)		£2.20
Chicken Nuggets and Chips		£4.10
Potato Wedges		£1.80
Hot Wings (9) and Chips		£4.10
BBQ Wings (9) and Chips		£4.10
Meatballs with Cheese		£2.00
Breaded Mushroom		£2.90
Garlic Mushroom		£2.90
Garlic Mushrooms & Cheese		£3.20
Coleslaw		£1.50
Side Salad Lettuce, Onions, Tomatoes & Cucumber		£1.80
Mixed Salad Tuna, Mayonnaise, Lettuce, Onions, Tomato and Cucumber		£2.80
Popcorn Chicken & Chips		£2.90
Naan Bread		£1.00
All Sauces Garlic Mayonnaise, Curry, Chilli, BBQ, Sweet Relish, Beans, Gravy and Chilli Con Carne		£1.00

Spend £10 or more and get a portion of Garlic Bread with Cheese **FREE**

Spend £20* or more and get a 1.5L bottle of Coke® and a Fudge Cake **FREE**

*when you collect your order from our shop

DESSERTS

Chocolate Fudge Cake	£1.90
Cheesecake	£1.90
Chocolate Profiterole	£1.90
Apple Crumble and Custard	£1.90
Jam Sponge Pudding and Custard	£1.90
Häagen-Dazs® 500ml	£4.20

DRINKS

Cans, Bottled Water or Milkshake	£1.00
Bottled Drink 1.5 litre	£2.00

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Sunday-Thursday 5pm–12 midnight

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Cider	£2.30	Ted's Larger	£2.00
Carlsberg	£2.10	Ted's Bitter	£2.00

AMIGO'S ANNOUNCEMNET

Pending Investigations with the manufacturers/suppliers of our individual portions of vacuum packed barbecued Ribs we have temporarily removed them from our menu…please accept our apologies for any inconvenience

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AMIGO'S HAS A 5 STAR FOOD HYGENE RATING